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In re Application of :
Steven M. Blumenau et al :
Application No. 09/107,618 :
Filed: June 30, 1998 :
Attorney Docket No. E0295/70066RF :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed January 15, 2003, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue in favor of a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on December 11, 2002 in the parent application is not refundable nor can it be applied towards any new Notice of Allowance which may issue on the CPA filed January 15, 2003.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (703) 306-5684.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2153 for processing of the CPA and for consideration of the concurrently filed Information Disclosure Statement.


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Date : January 16, 2003
TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner
for Patent Examination Policy
SUBJECT : Withdraw from Issue of 09/107,618

Applicant(s) : Steven M. Blumenau et al
Application No. : 09/107,618
Filed : June 30, 1998

The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,513,067 and an issue date of January 28, 2003.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of January 28, 2003:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,513,067 to Steven M. Blumenau et al of Massachusetts for METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING DATA MANAGEMENT FOR A STORAGE SYSTEM COUPLED TO A NETWORK appearing in the Official Gazette of January 28, 2003 should be deleted since no patent was granted."


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